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**It's hard to be still,
it's hard to be quiet.**



**It's hard to say no,
to toes that wiggle so.**



**It's hard to keep down
these merry feet,**



**when sounds all around tap a happy beat.
Cheep, cheep, cheep call the sparrows.**



Drip, drip, drip goes the tap.



SHEE... SHEEEE...

SHEE



... sings
the cooker.



Crunch, crunch, crunch...
...uh oh, I know what that is!



**“Why little one, have you wandered so far,
away from your books, your toys and your cars?
Why indeed?
There’s nothing here to hear or to see.”**



**I look up at mamma.
I look in surprise. Can she not see?
Can she not hear?
The cheep, the drip, the sheee...**



**...and the crunch? A world full of sounds,
all waiting to be found?**



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